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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. National Phase of International )  
Application No. PCT/JP2004/015094 )  
Inventors: Sayoko MATSUMOTO et al. )  
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned )  
Filed: April 4, 2006 )  
For: METHOD OF STRETCHING SINGLE- )  
STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID, SINGLE- )  
STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID )  
STRETCHING SYSTEM AND DNA CHIP )

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Title** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 - 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE TITLE:**

~~METHOD OF EXTENDING SINGLE-STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID, SINGLE-STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID EXTENDING APPARATUS AND DNA CHIP~~  
METHOD OF STRETCHING SINGLE-STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID, SINGLE-STRANDED NUCLEIC ACID STRETCHING SYSTEM AND DNA CHIP